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**Aerosol vertical distribution and optical properties over China from long-term satellite and ground-based remote sensing**

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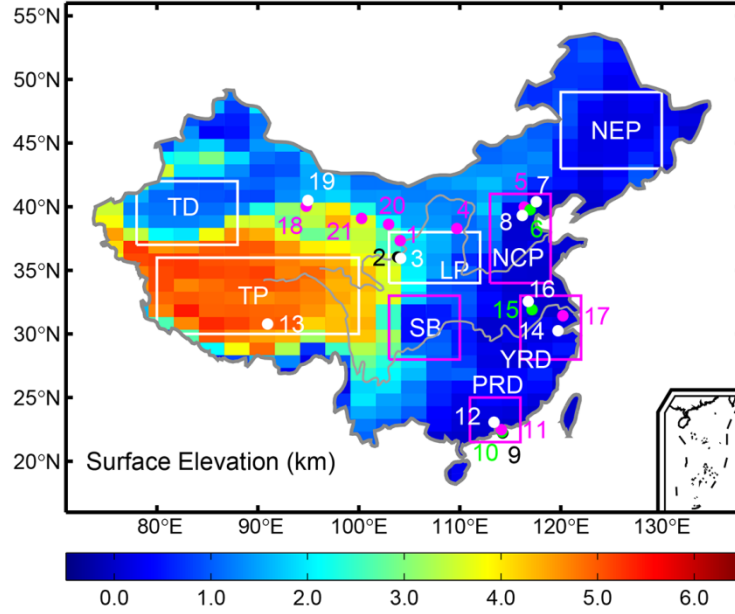
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**Table S1.** Basic information of the selected AERONET sites over China

<b>Region</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Longitude (° N)</b>	<b>Latitude (° E)</b>	<b>Altitude (m)</b>	<b>AOD points</b>	<b>Inversion points</b>
LP	1	Jingtai	104.100	37.333	1604	1435	66
	2	Lanzhou_City	103.853	36.048	1516	1231	117
	3	SACOL	104.137	35.946	1965	50020	1552
	4	Yulin	109.717	38.283	1080	6213	241
NCP	5	Beijing	116.381	39.977	92	83304	3812
	6	XiangHe	116.962	39.754	36	84158	3642
	7	Xinglong	117.578	40.396	970	26291	543
	8	Yufa_PEK	116.184	39.309	20	400	39
PRD	9	Hong_Kong_Hok_Tsui	114.258	22.210	80	4189	201
	10	Hong_Kong_PolyU	114.180	22.303	30	23796	335
	11	Hong_Kong_Sheung	114.117	22.483	40	2471	82
	12	Zhongshan_Univ	113.390	23.060	27	1259	64
TP	13	NAM_CO	90.962	30.773	4740	15502	8
YRD	14	Hangzhou-ZFU	119.727	30.257	14	888	64
	15	Hefei	117.162	31.905	36	2534	196
	16	Shouxian	116.782	32.558	22	2027	223
	17	Taihu	120.215	31.421	20	22344	1989
Desert	18	Dunhuang	94.794	40.038	1300	557	8
	19	Dunhuang_LZU	94.955	40.492	1061	832	8
	20	Minqin	102.959	38.607	1373	699	4
	21	Zhangye	100.276	39.079	1461	1818	20

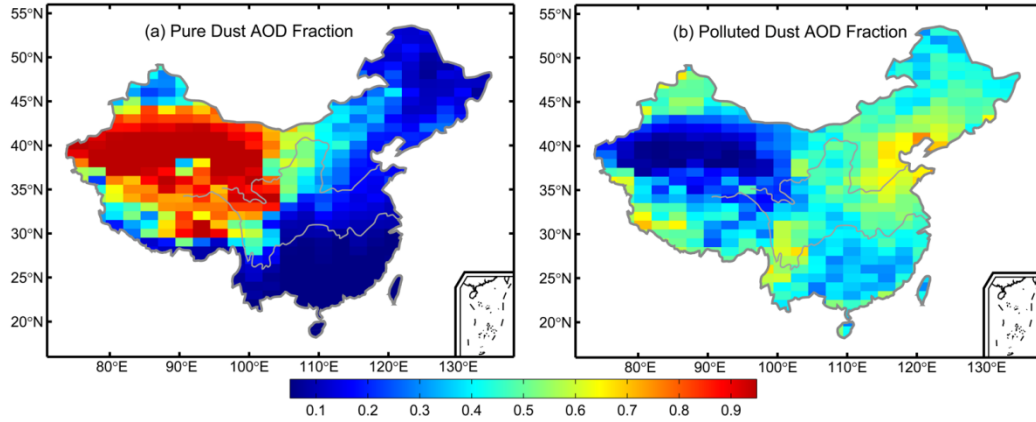
**Table S2** Main technical parameters of the CALIOP and NIES lidar

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>CALIOP</b>	<b>NIES lidar</b>
Transmitter	Nd:YAG	Nd:YAG
Wavelength (nm)	532 nm,1064 nm	532 nm, 1064 nm
Pulse Repetition Frequency (Hz)	20.25Hz	10 Hz
Output Power (mJ)	110	20
Pulse Width (ns)	20	10
Filter Bandwidth (nm)	0.77(532 nm)	3
	0.45 (1064nm)	
Telescope	Cassegrainian	Cassegrainian
Receiver Telescope Diameter (mm)	1000	200
Field of View ( $\mu$ rad)	130	1000
Detector	APD (1064 nm)	APD (1064 nm)
	PMT (532 nm)	PMT (532 nm)
Time Resolution (min)	--	15
Vertical Resolution (m)	30, 60	6

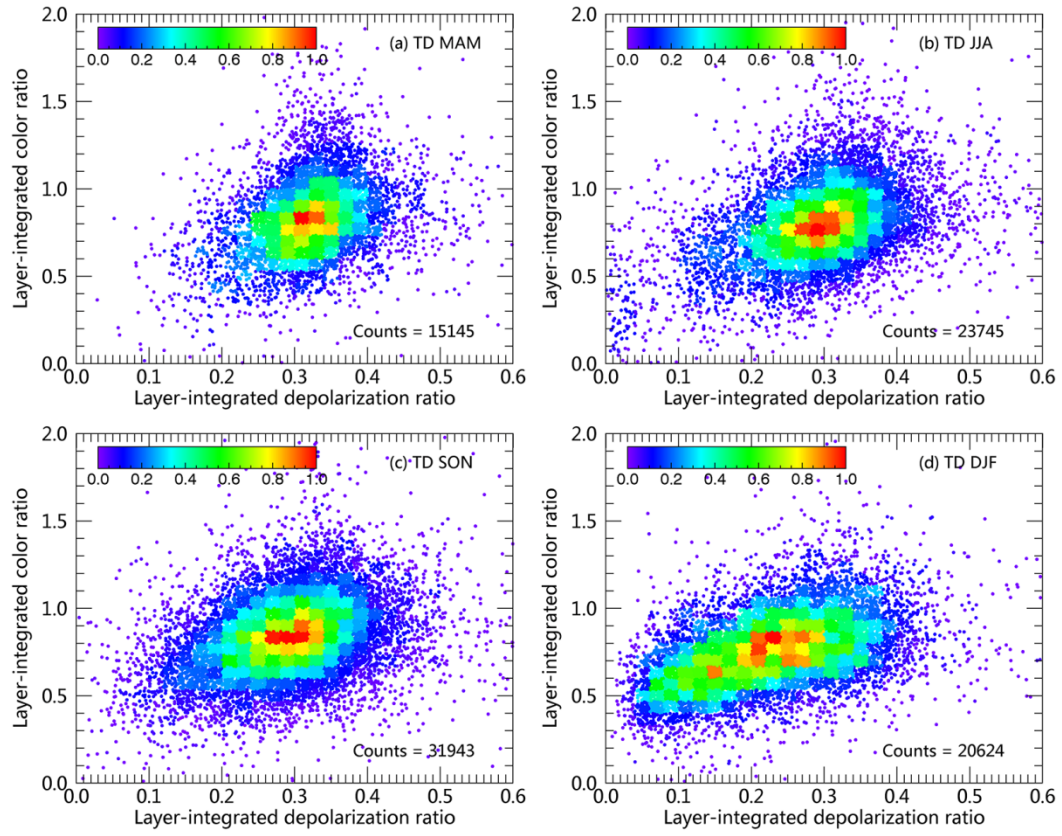


**Figure S1.** Locations (filled circles) of the selected AERONET sites over China. The site numbers are the same as in Table S1.

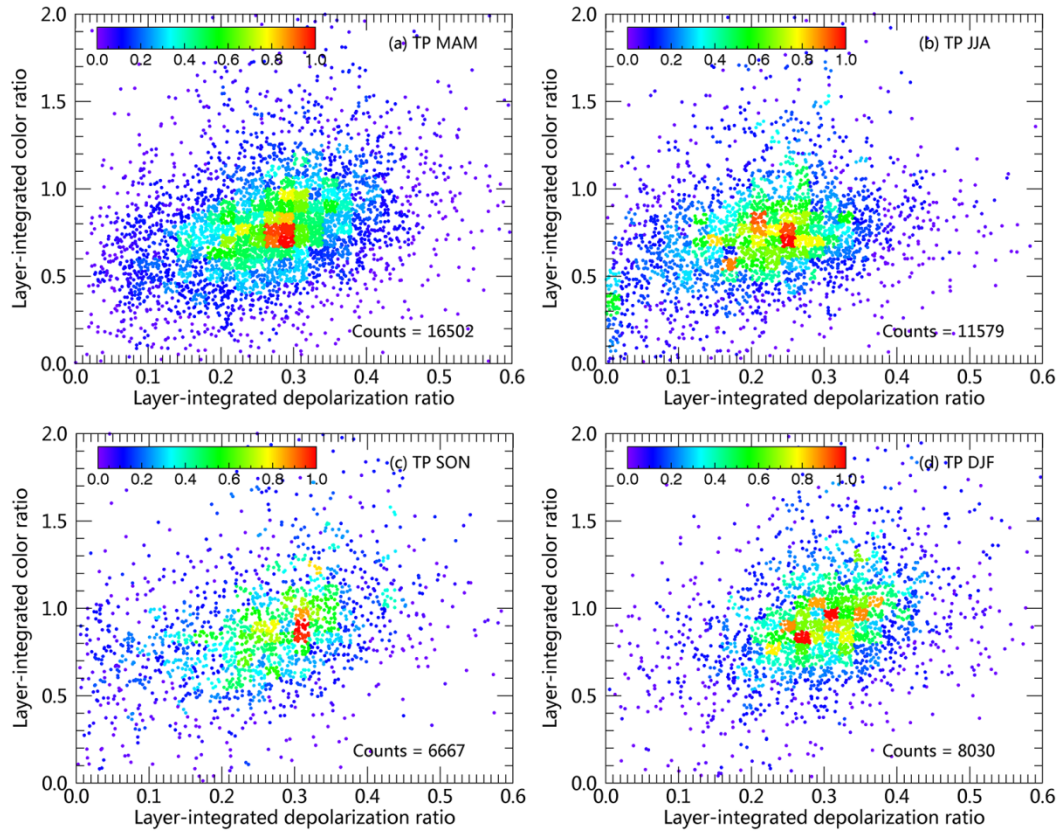
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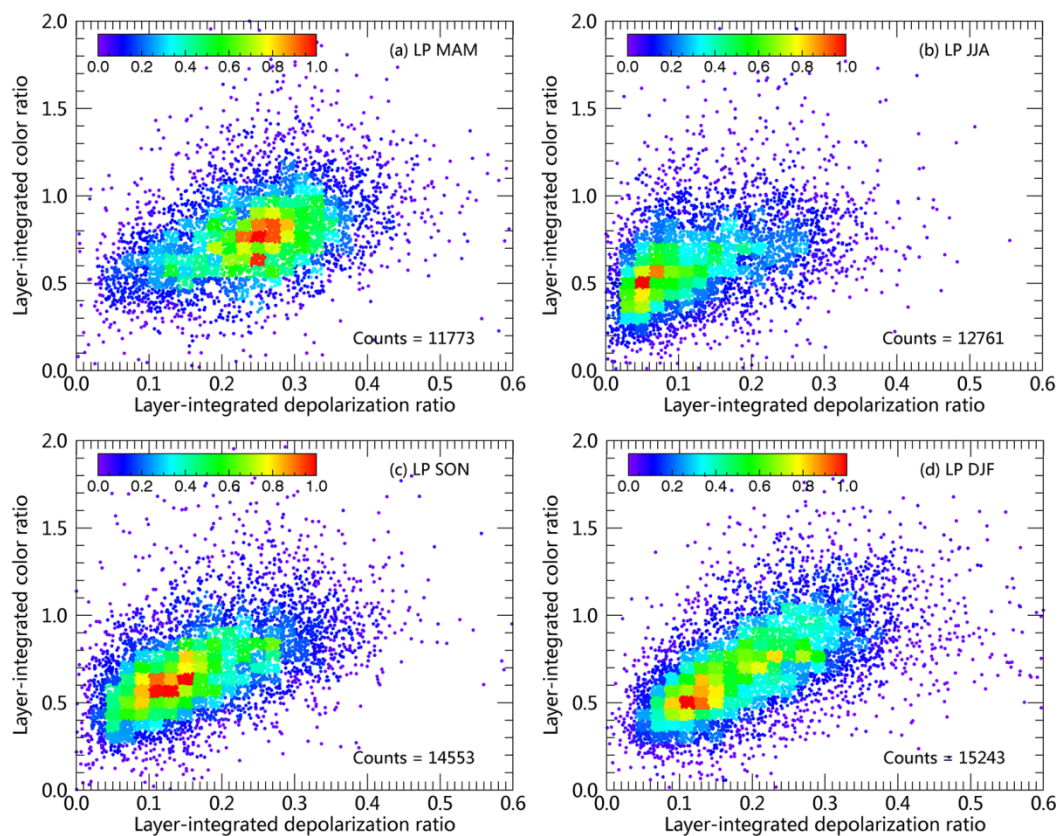
**Figure S2.** Annual pure dust and polluted dust AOD to total AOD ratio over China derived from CALIOP observations from June 2006 to January 2016, with a  $1.0^\circ \times 2.5^\circ$  latitude-longitude grid.



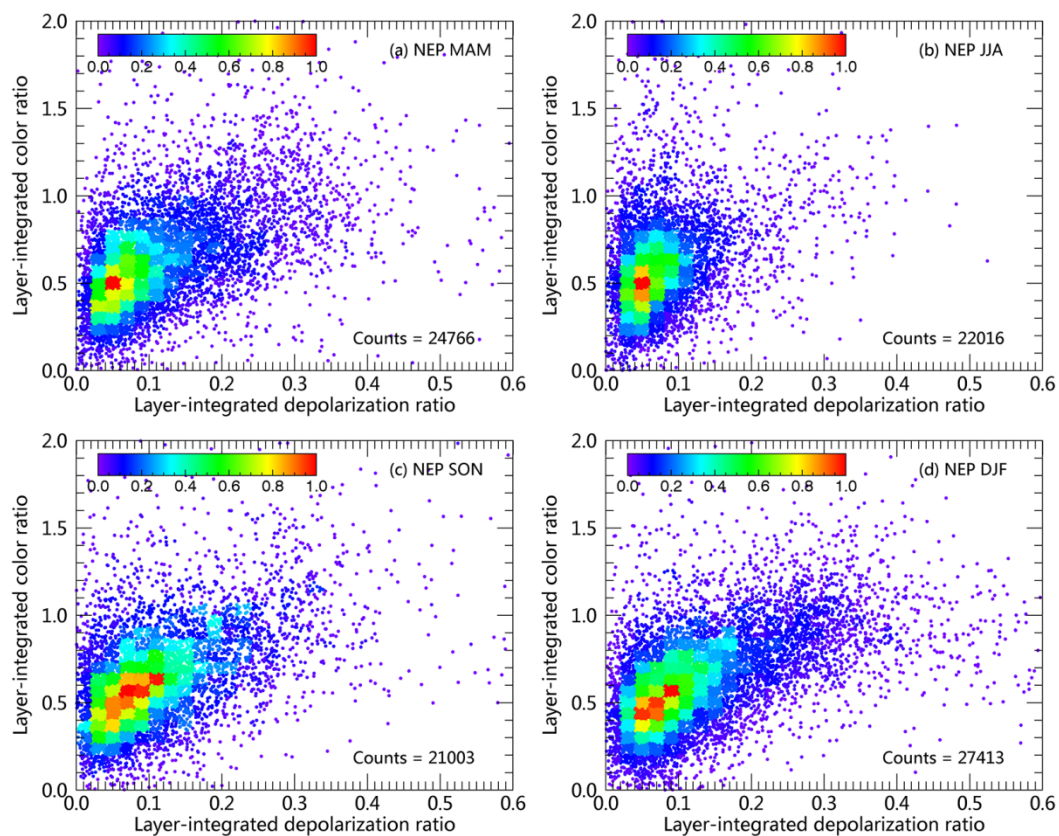
**Figure S3:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Taklimakan Desert (TD) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.



**Figure S4:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Tibetan Plateau (TP) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.

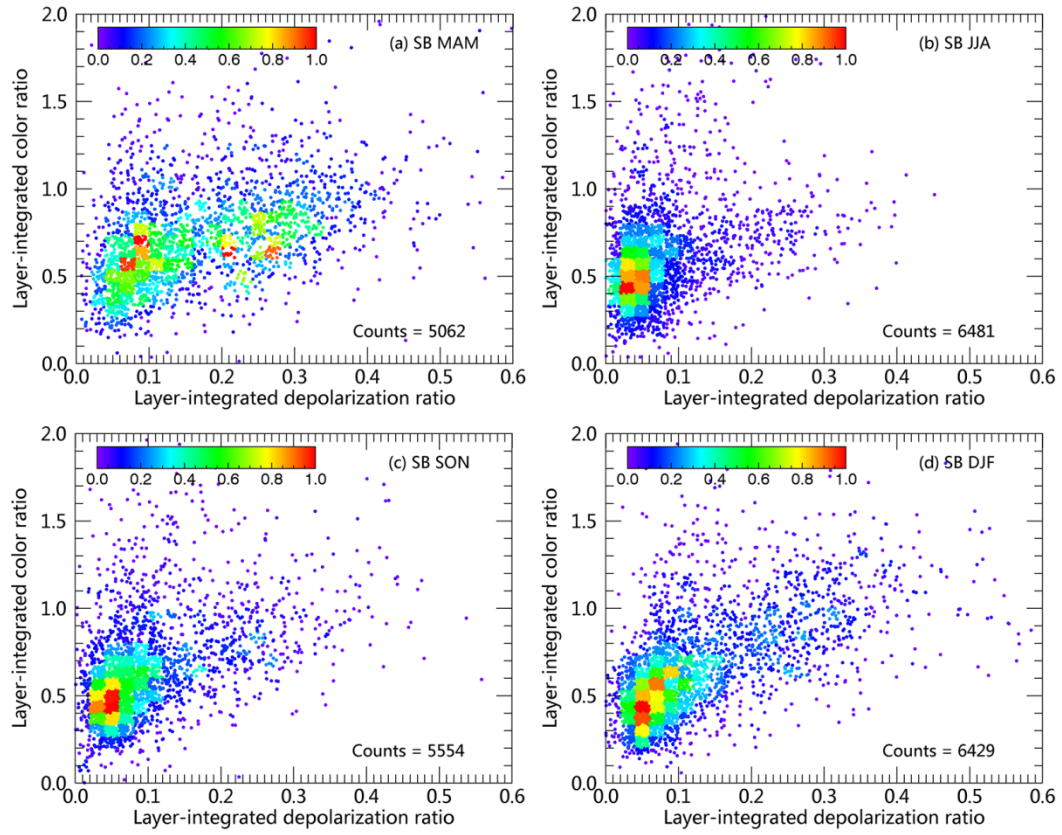


**Figure S5:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Loess Plateau (LP) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.

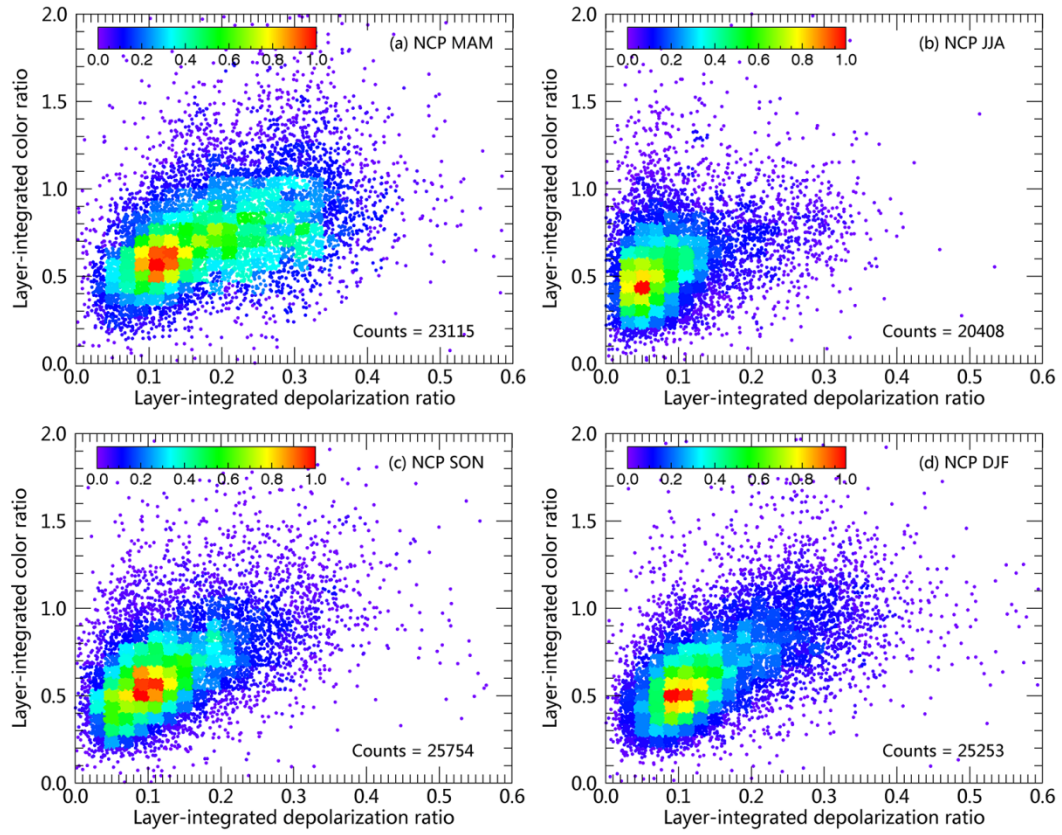


**Figure S6:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Northeast China Plain (NEP) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.

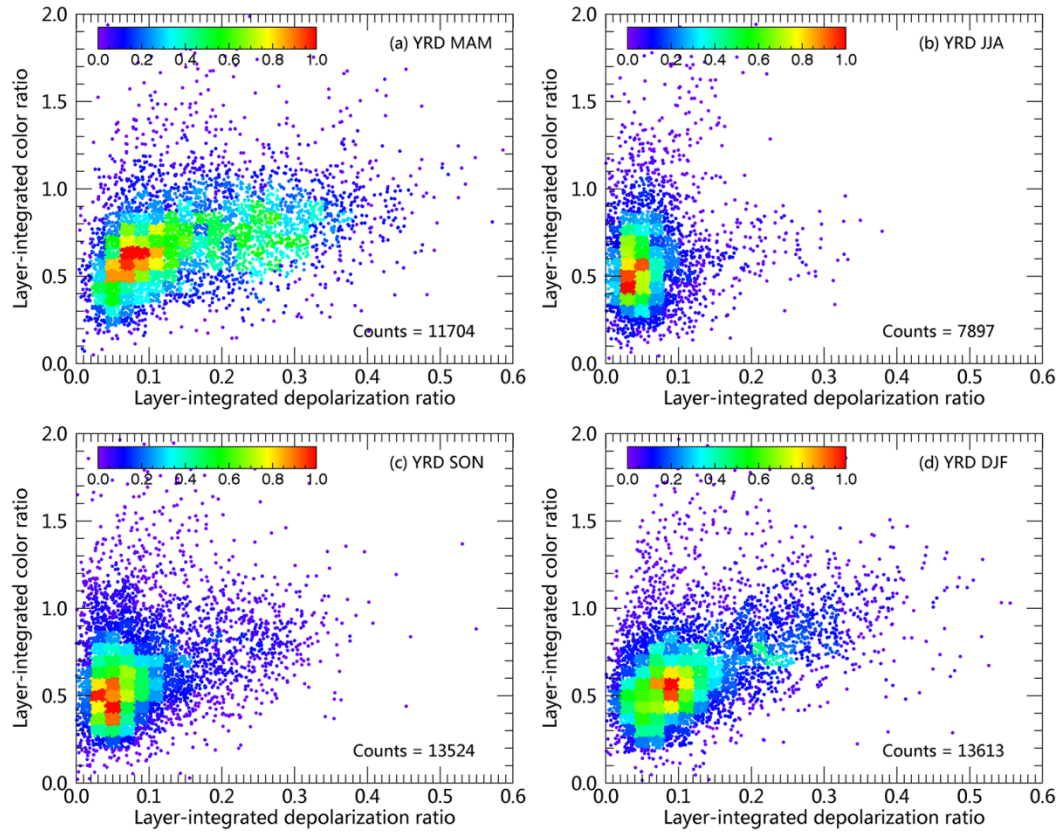




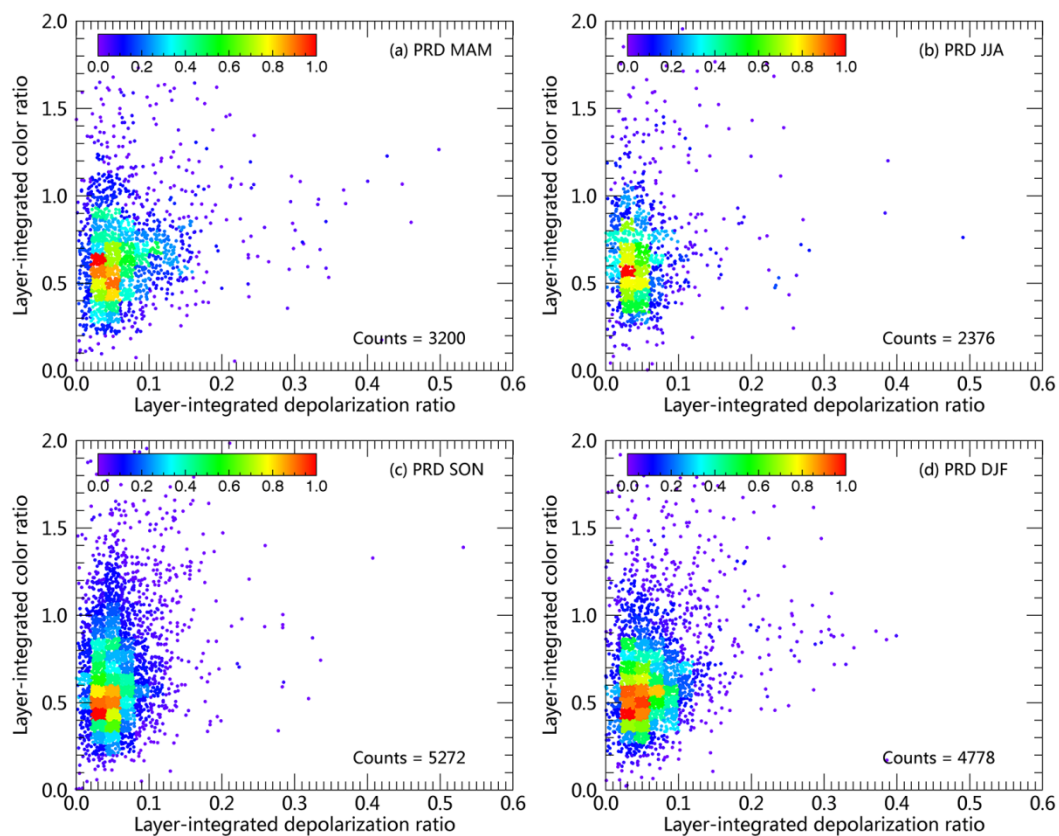
**Figure S7:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Sichuan Basin (SB) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.



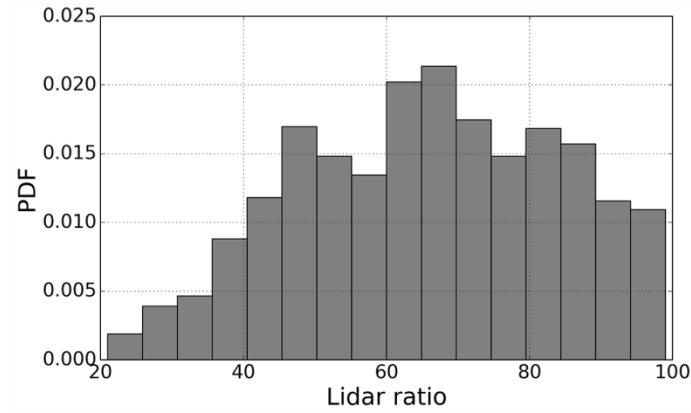
**Figure S8:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the North China Plain (NCP) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.



**Figure S9:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Yangtze River Delta (YRD) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.

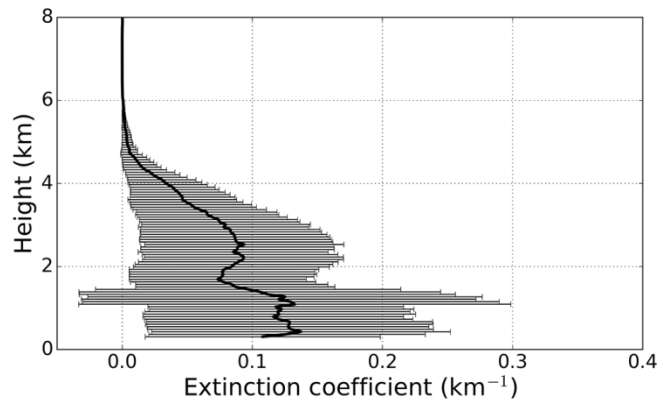


**Figure S10:** Scatter plots for the layer-integrated aerosol color ratios versus the layer-integrated aerosol depolarization ratios over the Pearl River Delta (PRD) region (a) spring, (b) summer, (c) autumn, and (d) winter.



**Figure S11.** Normalized histogram (probability density function, PDF) of the NIES lidar derived lidar ratio.

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**Figure S12.** Average extinction profile with error bars in the PRD region in spring. The value of the error bar is the average of the extinction coefficient uncertainty in CALIOP Level 2 data product.